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HONG KONG TRADE SHOWN TO BE WELL MAINTAINED

THE CURIOUS FACT that despite the enormous increase in Hong Kong's fugitive population, the Colony's imports have been decreasing and exports increasing, continues to be revealed in official trade figures.

During the first nine months of 1939, it was disclosed by the I. and E. Department to-day, imports totalled $443,700,000 (compared with $477,600,000 in 1938 and $456,300,000 in 1937) while exports totalled $402,900,000 (compared with $396,600,000 in 1938 and $332,700,000 in 1937).

The margin between imports and exports was down to $40,000,000 in 1939, against $81,000,000 in 1938 and $124,000,000 in 1937.

Treasure to the value of $79,020,000 was exported from Hong Kong during the first nine months of 1939. The imports of treasure did not exceed $708,000.

QUARTERLY FIGURES

For purposes of closer comparison the following table shows the quarterly values of both Imports and Exports of Merchandise for the years of 1936, 1937, 1938 and 1939:—

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3rd Quarter ..	106.7	169.8	185.4	142.7
4th Quarter ..	133.4	160.8	140.5	
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HITLER TO GIVE BACK MEMEL?

London, To-day.

Trustworthy sources in Kaunas, capital of Lithuania, report that negotiations are in progress between Lithuania for the return of Memel to Lithuania for a period of 55 years.

Memel was annexed by Hitler to Germany immediately after the rape of Czecho-Slovakia.

It is believed that an announcement of an agreement is imminent.

According to the Riga correspondent of "The Times" this is another indication of Germany's loss of influence in the Baltic.

He cites the fact, also, that Walter Protschuck, the leader of the German Nazi movement in a Lithuanian town, has been sentenced to a month's imprisonment for defaming the Lithuanian State, and adds that the Riga Press also shows that Germany is receiving less consideration than before Russia assumed the role of protector of the Baltic States.—Reuter.

RIBBENTROP TO PROVIDE THE CLUE?

London, To-day.

The Nazi district leaders, who were called to Berlin for a conference by Hitler, have now dispersed, according to reports from Germany.

A Paris message says it is believed there that a speech to be made by Herr von Ribbentrop, Nazi Foreign Minister, at Danzig to-day will provide a clue to the conference.—Reuter.

WARNING TO HITLER

London, To-day.

The "Evening Standard" says there is good reason to believe that Hitler has decided to carry out concentrated air attacks on Britain in an endeavour to prevent food reaching us.

The paper adds: "If he tries that, we shall certainly hit back."—Reuter.

BETTER WEATHER IN WAR ZONE

Paris, To-day.

The weather on the western front yesterday was much better, and one correspondent said it was the finest day for flying since the war started.

Frost is hardening the ground, and the waterlogged areas are drying up.

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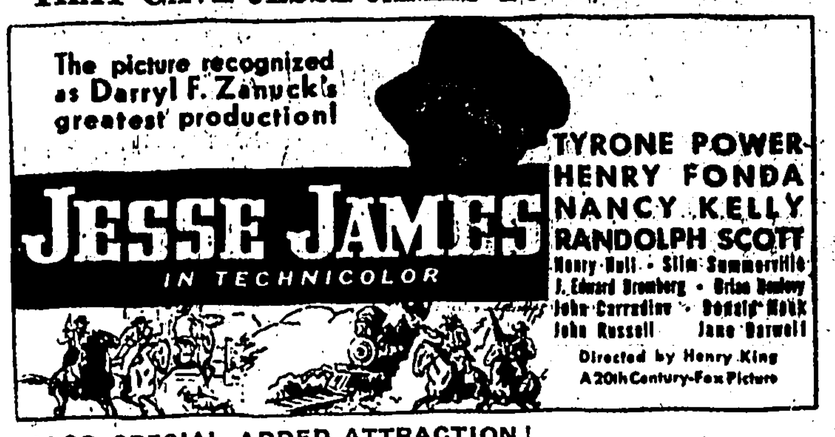

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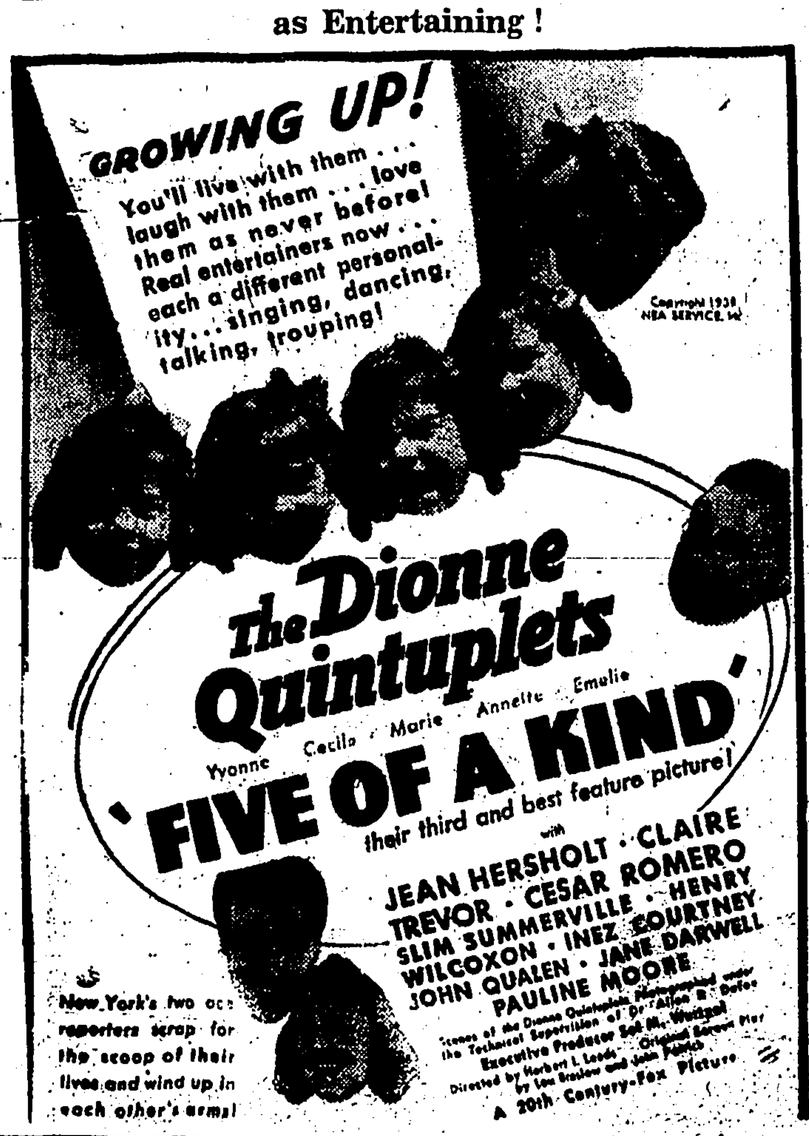

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FINNISH MISSION MEETS STALIN AND MOLOTOFF

Moscow, To-day.

HEADED BY M. PASSAKIVI, the Finnish delegation arrived back in Moscow yesterday morning to resume the interrupted talks with Soviet leaders.

The Finnish delegation were expected to call at the Kremlin yesterday afternoon or evening.

M. Passakivi is accompanied by the Finnish Finance Minister. — Reuter.

Moscow, Later.

The Finnish delegation had two meetings with Soviet leaders yesterday, and the second conference was still continuing last evening.

At the first meeting, Stalin and Molotoff represented the Soviet, and M. Passikivi and the Finance Minister, Finland.

The Soviet has not asked for occupation of the Aaland Islands but merely a formal promise that they remain unfortified. — Reuter.

NO ALLIANCE

Moscow, To-day.

The Finnish delegation began the talks with Soviet leaders in the Kremlin yesterday evening.

It is also stated that the Soviet will not insist on an alliance but will be content with certain guarantees that Finland will refrain from participating in a combination of Powers hostile to Soviet Russia.

In the same circles it is thought that the Soviet desires the cession of the small island of Hogland and the two neighbouring islands but is not seeking to establish Soviet troops on Finnish continental territory.—Reuter.

SOVIET WARSHIPS AT LIBAU

Moscow, To-day.

A Soviet naval squadron, headed by the cruiser Kirov, has arrived at Libau, which is to be a Russian naval base under the recent agreement with Latvia.

Meanwhile Soviet warships which have been in Tallinn Bay (Esthonia) for the past week, have sailed for the Russian naval base of Kronstadt, in the Gulf of Finland.—Reuter.

DENMARK IMPOSES RESTRICTIONS

Copenhagen, To-day.

As from to-day, all internal and external telephone communications in Denmark must be made in the Scandinavian, French, German or English languages.—Reuter.

GARDEN PARTY IN CHUNGKING

Chungking, To-day.

The entire diplomatic corps of Chungking turned out in force at yesterday afternoon's garden party given by Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Finance and acting Prime Minister, in honour of Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, the British Ambassador.

Although the German Ambassador was present at the party, German circles here say that he went without knowing it was being held in honour of the British Ambassador!

A German correspondent was also present.

What would have been the first meeting between the British Ambassador and M. Paniushkin, the Soviet Ambassador, failed to take place when they missed each other by a matter of minutes.

The Soviet Ambassador arrived late, just a few minutes after the departure of the British Ambassador, who had another appointment for the same afternoon.

Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, the American Ambassador, was present at the party.

SOVIET AMBASSADOR

M. Paniushkin has been keeping very much to himself since his arrival in Chungking. He has only called on Mr. Johnson since he has come here.

Immediately on his arrival at the party, the Soviet Ambassador held a lengthy conversation with Mr. Wang Chung-hui, the Foreign Minister.—Reuter.

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CHINESE CHAMBER AND INCOME TAX PROPOSALS

ONLY ONE MEMBER, Mr. Yeung Man-fei, spoke in favour of the proposed Income Tax at yesterday's special conference of the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, summoned to discuss the question last night.

The majority of the members opposed the proposal, but sympathised with the Hong Kong Government's decision to raise revenue in connection with the War.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce, though opposed to Income Tax which, it was argued, would have a detrimental effect on the Colony's trade and industrial enterprises, were, however, not opposed to other forms of assessment.

Mr. Yeung approved the imposition of Income Tax, stating that it was the best and most reasonable and just method of raising new revenue.

COMMITTEE FORMED

A special committee of 13 members, headed by Mr. Philip Gockchin, who presided over the meeting, was formed to convey the Chamber's sentiments to the Government.

A meeting will be held this afternoon by the Committee.

BITTEN ON FACE BY A DOG

Bitten on the face by a strange dog which has not yet been traced, Miss A. Silva, residing at No. 23, Jordan Road, Kowloon, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital on Sunday night.

The incident occurred in Gascoigne Road at 4.45 p.m.

OWNER FINDS MISSING CAR

Major C. M. Manners who reported that his car had been driven off by an unauthorised person on Saturday night, personally located the missing vehicle yesterday.

The car was found parked on the roadside near Kai Tak Aerodrome.

Tools to the value of $134 were missing.

MOTOR ACCIDENT

Mrs. L. J. White, driving car No. 2853, yesterday accidently knocked down an Indian boy at the junction of Prince Edward Road and Lung Kong Street, Kowloon City.

The lad, 9-year-old Mohamed Fara, residing at No. 442, Prince Edward Road, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital. His leg was fractured.

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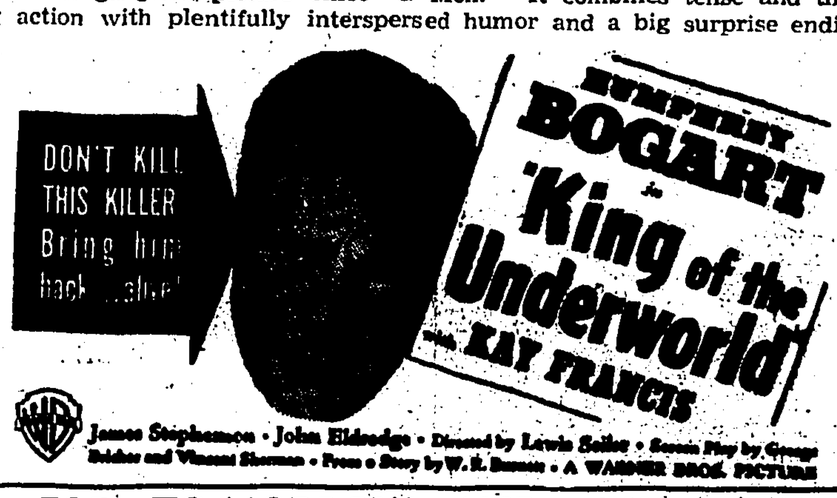

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DAYLIGHT SAVING FOR HONG KONG UNDER OFFICIAL CONSIDERATION

A PROPOSAL FOR THE introduction into Hong Kong, for the duration of the war, of a system of daylight saving, is under consideration.

Although the desire of Government in this matter has been known unofficially for some days, first disclosure was made this morning in the Chinese newspapers, on the basis of information derived from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, which has been invited to express an opinion on the proposal.

Government is contemplating the advancing of Hong Kong Time by half an hour.

If final approval is given, the change will be operative throughout the twelve months of the year, and not merely during the summer, for the duration of the war.

No date has been given for introduction of the new time as the Government's desire has been communicated to certain public organisations for their consideration and views.

Primary object of the proposal is the saving of electricity and coal.

HITLER IN EARNEST CONCLAVE

London, To-day.

It is learned that Hitler spent the whole of Saturday in Berlin in consultations with the General Staff, the Admiralty and the Nazi Ambassadors to Rome, Moscow and Turkey.—Reuter.

GERMANY IRRITATED BY ITALY AND SOVIETS

Stockholm, Oct. 16.

A feeling of considerable irritation against Italy and Soviet Russia is prevailing in Germany at present, the Berlin correspondent of the "Svenska Dagbladet" reported from the German capital to-day.

Well aware that it is not possible to halt the Soviet advance, Germany's leaders now fear that the Soviet Union may soon jeopardise—if it has not done so already—Germany's vital interests.

As for Italy, the German Government hoped that the crushing success in Poland would bring Italy to the Reich's side. Il Duce is justifying his country's neutrality through a secret clause in the Italo-German "steel pact" which specifies that it does not enter into force before a period of three years has elapsed.

According to certain quarters in Berlin, anti-German tendencies are beginning to make themselves felt in the Italian press in the shape of telegrams dated from foreign countries and given a prominent place with particular care in the Italian papers.—Havas.

LOAN REPORT WITHOUT AUTHORITY

London, To-day.

With reference to the reports from Ankara on the alleged grant of a large loan by Great Britain to Turkey it is learnt in London that these reports are without authority and the figures mentioned are incorrect.

It is, however, confirmed that conversations have taken place between the British, French and Turkish Governments regarding financial and economic assistance for Turkey and that arrangements have been or are being made under this heading in the general spirit of the newly-concluded treaty.—British Wireless.

LEAVE FOR TROOPS AT THE FRONT

Paris, To-day.

French soldiers at the front are to be given regular leave, says an official communique.

Poilus will get from nine to 10 days leave every four months according to service.

An extra three days will be given to soldiers who have been awarded decorations.

The British Army, it has already been announced, will be given Christmas leave if the military situation permits.—Reuter.

CHANNEL AIR LINE TO RESUME

London, To-day.

Air services between England and the Channel Islands will be resumed to-day.

There will be a twice daily service to Guernsey and Jersey.—Reuter.

SOVIET MISSION IN LITHUANIA

Kaunas, To-day.

The Soviet military mission had its first meeting with Lithuanian delegates last evening.

The mission is authorised to formally hand over Vilna to Lithuania.—Reuter.

COLD SPELL ON WESTERN FRONT

Paris, To-day.

The recent cold spell on the western front has caused great discomfort to the German troops, according to prisoners taken by the French Army.

The Germans complain of a scarcity of warm clothes and insufficient food.—Reuter.

AMERICANS ARRESTED IN STOCKHOLM

Stockholm, To-day.

Three Americans have been arrested under the new Swedish law relating to espionage.

They are alleged to have taking photographs of a new tunnel in the southern part of the city.

One of the American is an architect, and said they were taking photographs of a new children's school as a specimen of Swedish architecture.

Meanwhile, three Russians who were arrested on Sunday for taking photographs of docks, have been released.

Altogether seven people have been arrested, including a German woman, since the law came into force.—Reuter.

POLISH GOLD

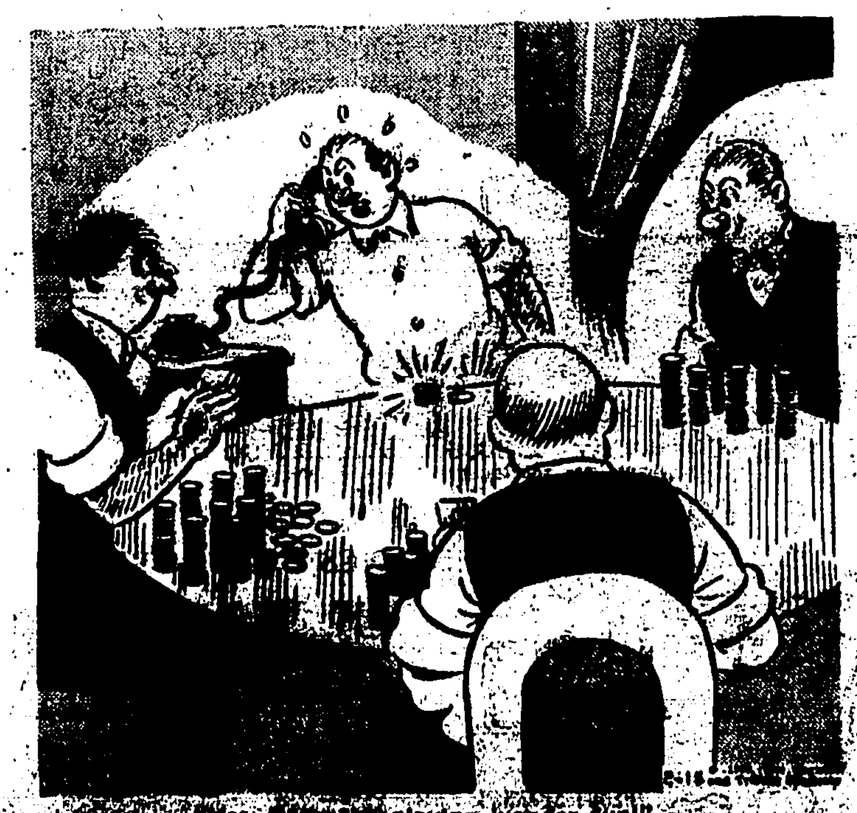
London, To-day.

The German wireless suggests that the gold of the Polish National Bank, removed from Poland before the German occupation, may be handed to Turkey by the British Government.

This is, of course, entirely untrue.

The gold is the property of the Polish Government, who alone have the power to dispose of it. — British Wireless.

OFF THE RECORD — By Ed Reed



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GERMANY BEGINS AT TREMENDOUS DISADVANTAGE

London, To-day.

GERMAN PRODUCTION cannot be expanded; public expenditure must grow; the alternatives are inflation or consumption further drastically reduced.

Present stocks of foreign raw materials are estimated to be at the most worth 800 million marks, equal to one-tenth of those existing in 1914.

There are no holdings of foreign exchange, foreign holdings etc being already liquidated. German credit is already at zero and has been for years.

Future supplies will depend on the capacity to produce and export.

There may be temporary relief from the plundering of stocks in conquered countries, but this, however, would impair their future productivity and make them a liability instead of an asset.

Russia cannot be conquered and imports from Russia will have to be paid for as it is unlikely that Russia will [illegible]

foodstuffs is in eggs, butter, lard and vegetable oils etc.

The 45 per cent. shortage of fats since 1936 is likely to become a decisive factor in the German food supply of the future. Failing the importance of Holland, Denmark and the Baltic States.

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The creation of chemical armaments has [illegible] without maintenance and [illegible] require reserves and resources.

The significance of the foregoing is the fact that Germany is starting [illegible] with ration cards and without ample and assured resources.—

RUSSIANS LAUGHING AT HITLER

Amsterdam, Oct. 17.

"Adolf Hitler has sent a courier to Moscow with a message for Stalin," the "Algemeen Handelsblad" reported to-day. "He needs Soviet aid and claims it by virtue of the political and economic accords of September 22. Those of the Kremlin now have good reason to laugh in their beards. They see with immense satisfaction and malicious joy how Herr Hitler has tied his hands in the west and is now making desperate efforts to save himself from his own policies," the newspaper stated—Havas.

JAPS. OF COURSE BLAME BRITAIN

Peiping, To-day.

After refusing to comment for some days on the speech of the American Ambassador to Japan, Mr. Joseph Grew, indicting the Japanese Army in China, the Japanese military spokesman in Peiping has broken the silence, with a somewhat acid comment.

He said that the official view of the Japanese Army, while appreciating Mr. Grew's frankness, was that they expected something more that they failed to find in the speech — anything about what Mr. Crew had done in the course of his duty as Ambassador to Japan in the way of presenting to the American Government and people the viewpoint of the people of Japan.

Perhaps it was too much to ask what he had done in this direction, the spokesman added.

He went on: The damage done to the rights and property of Americans in China has not been done deliberately. Conditions did not permit the prevention of all conflicts between American interests and Japanese activities, but their policy was to respect such rights and interests.

CLOSED

Asked if efforts to establish a closed economy in China conformed with this policy, the spokesman declared:

"The formation of an economic bloc was started by Britain against Japanese exports. Japan had taken action in because she had to live."—Reuter.

VON RITTER LEAVING MOSCOW

Moscow, To-day.

Herr von Ritter, the German envoy who has been in Moscow for a fortnight in connexion with the new Russo-German trade agreement, has left for Berlin.

A Soviet economic delegation is leaving for Germany in the near future.—Reuter.

STAFF TALKS COMPLETE

Ankara, To-day.

The Anglo-French military talks with Turkey have ended, and General Wavell and General Weygand, the British and French representatives, have left Ankara.

Meanwhile, in Berlin, Herr von Papen, Nazi Ambassador to Turkey, who was recalled to report last week, has been ordered to return to Ankara immediately.—Reuter.

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ONE CAUGHT IN NORTH SEA AND ONE IN ATLANTIC: SALVOES OF BIG BOMBS

London, To-day.

THE AIR MINISTRY announces "two attacks on U-boats recently made by R.A.F. aircraft both of which are believed to have been successful."

One occurred in the North Sea and the other in the Atlantic, many miles from aircraft bases.

After both attacks the pilots remained circling above the places where the submarines disappeared and nothing more was seen of the U-boats.

The following is the pilot's report of the North Sea attack: "Reconnaissance aircraft sighted and attacked a submarine in position—a salvo of anti-submarine bombs was dropped ahead of the periscope. The submarine dived steeply. The air gunner said definitely that he noticed a second under water explosion after the explosion of bombs.

"The aircraft then turned about and flew over the submarine a second time and dropped a second salvo.

"Patches of oil were observed after the first salvo and more extensively after the second attack.

"Nothing more was seen of the U-boat."

ATLANTIC ATTACK

The pilot of the Atlantic patrol aircraft says: "Enemy submarine was sighted some distance away. It dived and several heavy bombs were dropped: it was at first thought that there had been a direct hit. Dark patches appeared on the water after the attack and air bubbles rose to the surface.

"A second bombing attack was made as near the same position as possible. We circled over the area for some time but nothing further was observed."—Reuter.

GREISER'S NEW POST

Berlin, To-day.

Hitler has appointed Herr Greiser, former President of the Danzig Senate, to the post of Gaulelter of the Warta district in German-occupied Poland, according to the German official news agency.—Reuter.

SWEDISH STEAMER ATTACKED

London, To-day.

A Swedish steamer of 1,241 tons has been attacked by a German submarine.

Norway in her turn, says a message from Oslo, has now received a warning from Germany not to accept convoy by British or French warships.—Reuter.

BLOCKADE ISSUES AND GERMANY'S CANARDS

London, To-day.

THE GERMAN STATEMENT that British ships are only allowed to enter Dutch waters after the surrender of their armaments is untrue.

The wording of the Dutch proclamation of neutrality permits entry into Dutch ports of merchant ships genuinely armed in self-protection against German submarines which sink British and neutral ships, leaving their crews to drown, etc.

The German claim that arming in self-defence converts a merchantman into a warship is not in accordance with international law, under which such arming is the normal recognised procedure.

President Roosevelt's decree prohibiting the entry of submarines into territorial waters, effectively prevents German submarines from using American ports as in the last war, when the British Navy were obliged to maintain a patrol.

NEUTRALS MUST LEARN TO CO-OPERATE

Complaints continue to be received on the part of neutrals with regard to delays owing to Contraband Control, but it is pointed out that if neutrals would realise the British point of view and co-operate, much delay would be avoided.

It is believed that the German authorities are planning to make it more difficult to distinguish between genuine and false consignees.—Reuter.

SWEDISH STEAMER'S LOSS

Stockholm, To-day.

The owners of the Swedish steamer Albania have announced that two members of the crew were drowned when the steamer sank.

It is believed that she was the victim of a German submarine attack.—Reuter.

The Albania, a vessel of 1,241 tons gross and 541 tons net, was owned by the Rederiaktieb Svenska Lloyd. Registered at Gothenburg, she was built at Tonning by Schomer and Jensen in 1903. She was 236 feet long, with a breadth of 33 feet and a depth of 15 feet.

ZANE GREY PASSES

New York, To-day.

Zane Grey, the famous author, died in California yesterday.—Reuter.

KING VISITS MILITIA CAMP

London, To-day.

The King yesterday paid his first visit to a militia camp in the South of England.

Wearing the khaki service uniform of a Field-Marshal, His Majesty visited three barracks where militiamen are undergoing all stages of their 16-week training.

The King particularly commented on one class of recruits which had only been training for five weeks.

He asked many questions, and saw recruits being trained in wireless telegraphy and signalling, and others working on motor engines before joining the Transport.

His Majesty showed much interest in a class which was being trained in use of the anti-tank rifle against a dummy tank.—Reuter.

FACILITIES FOR ITALIAN TRADE

Paris, To-day.

France is to give special facilities to Italian and Allied trade passing through France to neutral countries.

Italian exports and imports passing through France are not liable to the restrictions imposed on other commercial traffic.

All restrictions are removed for goods of Italian origin carried across France for the Allies and neutrals, and for goods from the Allies and neutrals shipped via France to Italy.—Reuter.

AMERICAN PROTEST AGAINST GOEBBELS BLETHER

New York, To-day.

The extraordinary outburst by Dr. Joseph Goebbels, the Nazi Propaganda Minister, against Mr. Winston Churchill, led to a definite reaction in the United States.

Following Dr. Goebbels' broadcast, which was relayed to America, hundreds of listeners telephoned the offices of the various radio networks protesting against what some of them called "the spreading of futile rubbish."

The "New York Herald-Tribune" stated: "One would hardly have imagined that even a propaganda minister would be so grotesque as to drag up again such an amazing theory that Mr. Churchill sank the Athenia.

NAZI MIND

"But one under-estimates the peculiar and profound inability of the Nazi mind to understand that the rest of the world is not wholly composed of Nazis.

"In the United States, which, as Goebbels said, has not lost its senses, chief interest in the repetition of this yarn lies in its being a rather grimly amusing revelation of Nazism."—Reuter.

THETIS RAISED TO SURFACE

London, To-day.

The submarine Thetis, which sank on her acceptance trials more than 20 weeks ago, was raised to the surface yesterday afternoon.

She is now lying a mile from the shore off the coast of Anglesey.

Her bridge can be seen from the shore, with the remaining periscope at a sharp angle.

Thetis will be towed further inshore and beached.—Reuter.

The "Thetis" was successfully refloated after intensive work by divers. She was later taken inshore, where she will be drained preparatory to being towed to drydock.—British Wireless.

HITLER RECEIVES RIBBENTROP

London, To-day.

Rome wireless reports that Hitler received Herr von Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, in Berlin yesterday.—Reuter.

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HITLER DREAMS OF RACIAL SOLIDITY

London, To-day.

The "Daily Telegraph" diplomatic correspondent understands that Hitler plans to call back all Germans from Russia and the Baltic with the aim of forming one solid racial bloc in Central Europe.

He intends, according to the correspondent, to send Poles and Czechs to Russia and the Baltic to replace them.

The correspondent adds: "The sooner Hitler does this the better.

"To bring Germans back to the Reich, to make them sacrifice their ancestral homes for the conditions in Germany to-day, would only weaken the Nazis still further."—Reuter.

Two hundred Romford girls, pupils at the County High School, have been going to school for two minutes a week. These two minutes are long enough for each girl to reach the cloak-room and collect a schedule of work for the coming week. They do not see their teachers, the girls are doing their schoolwork at home until trenches are built to accommodate them at school. Photo shows girls depositing their week's work in baskets outside the school as they arrive to collect their next batch of lessons. (Air Mail).

VON PAPEN MISSION DOOMED

Ankara, To-day.

Turkish circles have received the news that Herr von Papen, the Nazi Ambassador, is returning from Berlin with another mission, with astonishment.

They cannot imagine what further mission the Nazi envoy can possibly have.

An Ankara newspaper yesterday stated that Germany had asked Turkey to attack Iraq and seize the Masul oilfields.

Turkey told Berlin in reply that she preferred to remain friends with the Arabs.—Reuter.

SOVIET'S OLDER FRIEND COMES FIRST

London, To-day.

The Moscow correspondent of "The Times" says there are no signs that Russia is willing to sacrifice her old friendship with Turkey for Hitler.—Reuter.

POLICY APPROVED

Ankara, To-day.

The majority party in the Turkish House of Parliament yesterday completely approved the Government's foreign policy, after hearing an account of the Foreign Minister's visit to Moscow.—Reuter.

NO SOVIET GOLD FOR GERMANY

London, To-day.

Germany has not, after all, received the 17½ tons of Soviet gold as reported last week, according to the Diplomatic Correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph."

The bullion is now deposited in Netherlands banks, he says, and it is destined, according to information reaching official circles in London, to finance Russian purchases in the United States.

The correspondent assumes that some of the gold will be used to purchase American machine tools, large Soviet orders for which were placed in Britain before the war, but which British contractors are now unable to complete owing to the outbreak of the war.—Reuter.

ROYAL OAK INQUIRY

London, To-day.

It is learned in well-informed quarters that the enquiry into the sinking of the Royal Oak is proceeding but no further details have as yet been divulged.

It is repeated that the German statements to the effect that another ship was torpedoed on the same occasion are without a vestige of foundation.—Reuter.

EURASIA ARRIVES IN CHUNGKING

OPERATED FOR THE FIRST TIME BY A WHOLLY CHINESE CREW, THE EURASIA PLANE, EU22, ARRIVED IN CHUNGKING FROM HONG KONG THIS MORNING, RESUMING THE HONG KONG-CHUNGKING SERVICE WHICH WAS SUSPENDED LAST MONTH.

There were four passengers on board, including the General Manager, Mr. Li, and the Business Manager, Mr. Kao who is also Business Manager for the China National Aviation Corporation in Hong Kong.

The first plane from Chungking is expected here to-morrow.

ARMY WIRE STOLEN

Three Chinese were before Mr. T.J. Houston this morning, charged with stealing telephone wire from Repulse Bay Road yesterday, the property of the Military Authorities.

Lieut. P.D. Gracey, of the Hong Kong Signals, prosecuted.

Accused were Leung Yim, 26, Chan So, 26, and Kwan Fai, 17, earth coolie.

Defendants were seen carrying 49 yards of telephone wire in a sack.

Sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed.

BULGAR CABINET

Sofia, To-day.

King Boris has entrusted the retiring Prime Minister, M. Kiosseivanoff, with formation of a new Cabinet.

The Government, it will be recalled, resigned last Friday.—Reuter.

ALLIES SATISFIED BY FIRST PHASES OF WAR IN AIR

London, To-day.

THE VIEW IS EXPRESSED in London that the first phase of the war in the air has been very favourable to the Allies.

The German air raids on the Firth of Forth and Scapa Flow, and the aerial attack on one of our convoys off the Yorkshire coast, all failed.

They also proved the success of our fighter aircraft and naval anti-aircraft fire.

In these encounters the Germans have lost 16 long-distance bombers, and possibly more.

The British losses were 30 naval personnel casualties in the Firth of Forth raid and slight damage to the cruiser Southampton and the veteran battleship Iron Duke. Both vessels were so slightly affected that they were ready for sea the same day.

As regards submarine warfare, though the sinking of Allied vessels has increased in the last week, it was only a small percentage of the losses in 1917, when the Germans also made a great effort to blockade us.—Reuter.

IRAQ JOINS IN APPROVAL

Ankara, To-day.

The Prime Ministers of Turkey and Iraq have exchanged telegrams of congratulation in connection with the triple alliance between Britain, France and Turkey.

In Baghdad, the Iraq capital, the alliance is considered a signal success for Allied diplomacy and a vital factor in the future conduct of the war.—Reuter.

PEAK RESIDENT FINED

Mrs. E. Petrie, of No. 168, The Peak, was summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, for driving in a closed road.

Defendant drove her car in a part of Mount Kellett Road, closed to traffic.

A fine of $5 was imposed.

SIR ERIC PHIPPS BROADCASTS

Paris, To-day.

The retiring British Ambassador in Paris, Sir Eric Phipps, broadcast a farewell message to France last evening.

Speaking in French, Sir Eric said: "The entente which binds our two governments and peoples has never been closer.

"This entente must be perpetuated beyond our common victory, so that we can lay the foundations of a better world, a world in which the common law is one of understanding instead of hate of a neighbour."—Reuter.

CORDIAL RELATIONS

Sir Eric Phipps in his broadcast, said: "I have always worked for closer relationship between our two countries and now the hour of my departure has come, it is good to know that, faced with the danger threatening the world, our two countries are as one and that the understanding between our governments and our peoples is most intimate, most cordial, most confident.

"That understanding must be perpetuated beyond a common victory, so that it will be possible to lay the basis of a world where the common law will be understanding and not the hate of neighbours."—British Wireless.

Armoured cable, valued at $400, was stolen between [illegible] on Friday and 8 a.m. yesterday [illegible] the Sai [illegible] by an [illegible]

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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

NO ALTERNATIVE

If you remove from the history of Britain and of the United States, of France and Italy, of the Netherlands and the Swiss all that has been done to establish the rights of man by Christian prophets, liberal thinkers, and by rebel movements, what would be left? And this belief in liberty is the basis of the life of Western Europe. What kind of life does Nazism offer in its place? Let anybody consider what life is like in Scandinavia and Switzerland as described by Sir Ernest Simon in his recent book "The Smaller Democracies" and compare it with the life of Nazi Germany with its mass drill of mind and manners, its concentration camps and its silenced thinkers, its homes and streets haunted by spies and eavesdroppers. Then let him consider what it would mean to the peoples of those States to be submerged in the Nazi system. Let him measure their loss in dignity, in freedom, in happiness, in their respect for themselves and for their nation. All of these States are formally neutral, but their history and their system of life forbid indifference. A world with so much of the passion for freedom in its blood, and so much of the habit of freedom in its life, will not easily submit to a tyrant however ruthless his power. — "Manchester Guardian."

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ENDURING PEACE

One great constructive measure to which all the war-torn peoples will look forward as the corner-stone of a more enduring peace is, without any question, an effective degree of disarmament. The burden of armaments has proved doubly destructive, for it not only depresses standards of living, but also creates national distrusts which act as an incitement to war. To be effective, disarmament must be general. The future peacemakers must avoid the mistake of Versailles by which unilateral disarmament gave Germany a national grievance, which Hitler exploited for his own malign purposes. Another fundamental aim of the Allies must be to remove, when the framing of peace terms takes place, any genuine economic grievances on the part of the world's "Have-not" nations. Fuller provision will have to be furnished for international access to raw materials, and the system of autarchy, which Germany forced on the world, modified so as to open up again the channels of international trade. Economic action, however, must go hand in hand with the devising of stronger guarantees for political stability. The system of power politics, which has invariably led to war, must be replaced by that of collective security. The valiant endeavour of the League to establish collective security failed, largely because its members were not prepared to sacrifice national sovereignty, and "some sacrifice of national sovereignty is essential as the basis of a new order." Only by putting the international good before the national interest can the nations fashion, at the end of the holocaust, a new and better world order.—"Sydney Morning Herald."

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LIES AND REPLIES

The tone of Hitler's speeches oddly reminds us of our own air-raid warnings. They are delivered with a moan. It is not necessary to analyse those ravings. We have the "sober and quiet" refutation given them by the Prime Minister?

For neutral States perhaps it is as well that the lies should be promptly followed by replies. Germany hears nothing of the answer. Our own people have surely ceased to pay the smallest attention to the grotesque fables of the gangster.

Unless, indeed, we can extract a little grim humour out of them; wondering, for example, how long Hitler will be "sorry for France," how long he will be content to announce that Russia is properly and permanently Bolshevik; and whether, next time, he will declare himself the World Protector of the Jews and offer them a spiritual home in Nazidom.—"Daily Mirror."

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HIGH COST OF WAR

Modern warfare is no inexpensive pastime although Hitler and his colleagues think lightly of it in comparison with the achievement of their ambition. The time has passed when a few thousand men could be flung into action and wage a victorious war by feeding on the hapless countryside and the share of spoils. With millions of men to be mobilised, vast organisations to be maintained, and the utilisation of munitions and other resources in rapid and incalculable quantities as conditions require, the financial side is of a magnitude incomprehensible to the man-in-the-street accustomed to dealing in tens or hundreds of pounds. But in the resistance to the colossal movement of aggression which has developed in Europe, the British Government has shown that no price is too high to defeat it and maintain the common decencies of life and rights of liberty and freedom to which every people is entitled to enjoy. The first War Emergency Budget has passed all stages in Parliament and has received the Royal Assent. It provides for an estimated revenue of £995,000,000 and an expenditure of £1,933,000,000 over an indefinite period for if this sum is inadequate further credits must be voted. This reveals not only the nation's determination to carry its intentions to the utmost limit, but also the financial resources available against the extent of Germany's effort. The budgetary estimate represents one of the largest ever voted for war purposes by any nation at the beginning of hostilities, but it is by no means the largest. It is indicative of the probable cost of the war and the sacrifice which the nation must be prepared to save. Britain entered the last war with an ordinary budget of a little over £200,000,000 and with supplementary estimates for war purposes, £569,000,000. By 1916, with an ordinary budget of £500,000,000, the total with supplementary estimates for war purposes with in the £2,000,000,000 category, and by the last year of the war, while the ordinary budget stood at £842,000,000, the huge figure of £2,977,000,000 had been reached. At present, it is estimated that the war is costing Britain £6,000,000 a day. In the last war at its peak the expenditure was £8,000,000 a day. "If blood be the price of admiralty, Lord God we ha' paid in full," declared Kipling. In this war there may be even greater sacrifices, but the British Empire's ability to foot a bill which Germany cannot stand is a potent factor in the councils of the "field men of Europe" now engaged "from Berlin to Bucharest" in "plunging Europe into anarchy, despotism and destruction."—N.C.D.N.

JAPAN'S AIMS

Japan, too, has reaffirmed her policy of "non-intervention" or "independence." General Abe, the moderate Prime Minister, declares that Japan is confining her interests to China, as long as no foreign Power adopts an obstructionist attitude there. As token of her own goodwill, she has abandoned the blockade of Hong Kong and, at a conference in Shanghai, did not raise the demands she had previously made that all foreign soldiers should leave China. Whether this abandonment was due to Mr. Cordell Hull's statement that the United States would resist any further encroachment on foreign rights in China, or whether it represents the new mildness of Japanese policy, is not yet clear, but there is every sign that Japan, tied down now for months to an immovable front-line, and forever suspicious of Russia, wants to "liquidate" the Chinese episode as soon as possible, if only because the new wartime opportunities for international trade would rehabilitate her economically—Prof. S. H. Roberts.

HITLER TO STRIKE AT BRITAIN WITH AIR FORCE

London, To-day.

The conferences which Herr Hitler has been holding with the Nazi District Leaders throughout Germany, with the Chiefs of Staff of the Army and Navy and with prominent Cabinet members, are the theme of widespread speculation in neutral capitals.

Great secrecy is apparently being observed in Berlin regarding the nature and purpose of the discussion, which probably had to do with the prosecution of the war and internal conditions in Germany.

Reports reaching Copenhagen suggest that the conference implies that Hitler has now given up all hope of an early peace.

Reuter's Copenhagen correspondent says that Berlin information supports the belief that the Nazis will suspend action on the Western Front while they concentrate on a strenuous "blockade" of Britain with fierce air attacks. — Reuter.

OTHER OPINIONS

Paris, To-day.

Reports from neutral sources indicate that Hitler's next plan of campaign may be either a mass offensive in the West or an intensification of aerial and submarine warfare, primarily against British shipping, or a new "peace offensive."

Hitler himself is reported to lean more on Admiral Raeder's naval policy than on General Keitel's army plans, while it is felt here that the possibility of a success of a new "peace offensive" was answered in advance by Mr. Hore-Belisha's broadcast on Saturday. — Reuter.

AIR FORCE SAVES A CONVOY

London, To-day.

The saving of a British convoy in the North Sea from possible destruction by mines is revealed in London.

Heroes of the affair were pilots of the Auxiliary Air Force.

Patrolling ahead of the convoy, they saw drifting mines in two places at an hour's interval and close to and in the path of the convoy.

The planes warned the convoy by smoke flares and lamp signals.

The first batch of mines was avoided by a change of course and the second batch were destroyed by machine-gun fire from escorting destroyers.—Reuter.

ESCORT SHIP HITS JUNK

H.M.S. Thanet was involved in a collision with a junk last night at 9.45 p.m. in the harbour.

The junk, No. 1065, was leaving harbour when the incident occurred. The junk was damaged, but the crew who were thrown into the water, were rescued by the warship.

No damage was suffered by the Thanet.

NEUTRALITY BILL

Washington, To-day.

The revised Neutrality Bill will probably be passed on Friday.—Reuter.

THE NAVY GOES U-BOAT HUNTING.—The Navy at its work of keeping the seas open for trade. Photo shows the eyes of the Fleet—on deck of a destroyer on patrol—the look out. (British Official picture. Copyright. By Air Mail).

LONDON VESSELS SUNK OFF SCOTTISH COAST

London, To-day.

TWO LONDON SHIPS, both coasters of small tonnage, were lost yesterday.

The Sea Venture (1,375 tons) was sunk by a submarine off the north coast of Scotland.

Her crew of 25 landed safely in the ship's boats.

The second casualty was the Whitemantle (1,692 tons) owned by Stephenson, Clarke and Associated Companies, Ltd., of London.

The Whitemantle foundered after an explosion, and five of her crew were rescued by a trawler.

The survivors, all of whom were injured, stated they could not say if they had been sunk by a mine or by submarine action.

Fourteen other members of the Whitemantle's crew are missing, but it is possible that they have been picked up by another ship.—Reuter.

15-MILES ROW

The Sea Venture's crew of 25 was landed in one of the steamer's boats after rowing for 15 miles.

The Sea Venture took nearly three hours to sink.

Fourteen members of the crew of the Whitemantle are missing but they may have been picked up by another vessel.

LANDED ON EAST COAST

Five were rescued by a trawler and landed at an East Coast port. All the injured were taken to hospital.

They are unable to say whether the explosion was caused by a mine or submarine.—Reuter.

ANOTHER AIR RAID ALARM

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announces that the air raid alarm was sounded in the Firth of Forth area yesterday.

The all clear went about 15 minutes later.

The east coast of England heard an air raid alarm every day last week except Thursday.

Not one of the raids was successful.—Reuter.

MARKED ACTIVITY ON SAAR FRONT

Paris, To-day.

A communique states: there was marked activity on the part of elements in contact, more particularly in the region west of the Saar.—Reuter.

FATE OF "EMILE MIGUET"

Boston, To-day.

A screaming shell from a U-boat was the first warning of danger, according to the story of the captain of the French tanker Emile Miguet, sunk in the Atlantic 10 days ago, told when he reached here.

Dusk had fallen when the first shell was fired. It was followed by others one of which struck the crews' quarters, cutting an apprentice almost in half.

The captain hailed the submarine and received permission to disembark the remainder of the crew.

"The shelling had left one lifeboat seaworthy and we packed like sardines into it.

"It was 31 hours before the United States steamer, Black Hawk, rescued us.

"The submarine torpedoed and sank the Emile Miguet, after the 39 survivors had disembarked." — Reuter.

BROWDER ARRESTED

New York, To-day.

A Federal Grand Jury yesterday indicted Earl Browder, Secretary of the Communist Party of the United States, on a charge of a false application for a passport.

Browder was immediately taken into custody.

He pleaded not guilty and was given bail of $10,000.—Reuter.

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All strategic London railway stations now have military guards with fixed bayonets. It is a curious fact that although such military signs are so unusual in Britain Londoners have become quite used to the soldiers in the matter of a few days, and take no notice of them. (Air Mail).

The Turkish Military Mission to Great Britain were entertained to lunch by the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Frank Bowater, at the Mansion House on Oct. 6. Photo shows General Orbay (extreme right) leader of the Mission, and his wife (extreme left) with the Lord Mayor at the Mansion House. (Air Mail).

All anti-aircraft guns, coastal defence, balloon barrages and search-light units are fully manned and at their war positions. Photo shows soldiers busy finishing off the sandbag protective wall around a newly erected searchlight which has been dug in at a London park. (Air Mail).

Bringing Up Father — By George McManus

CONVOY ANSWER TO RAID ROUSES ENTHUSIASM

London, To-day.

PRIDE IS EXPRESSED in the newspapers at the manner in which British airmen and seamen dealt with the Nazi bombers' attack on the British convoy in the North Sea on Saturday, when, of 12 German aircraft sent on this venture, four were brought down and none of the ships of the convoy or of the escort was damaged.

When the raiders were finally driven off, one of the escort vessels passed along the lines of the convoy flying a signal from the Commanding Officer congratulating them on the way they had kept formation during the attack.

The "Daily Telegraph," while admitting that it is unwise to count on the maintenance of immunity, and emphasising that it is only the North Sea trade with which German aircraft can attempt serious interference, says: "It is plain that the arrangements for cooperation between escort vessels and fighter aircraft worked with admirable efficiency.

"There could be no better answer than this complete defeat and disastrous rout to the claims which the Nazi broadcast put forth on the eve of the fight that German bombers rule the North Sea.

A CONFESSION

Resort to the air arm for the destruction of merchant vessels is in itself a confession that submarines have disappointed the Nazi leaders. The facts are grim for them.

"Air bombing was imperative if there was to be any hope that the war on our ships would frighten us and threaten neutrals and, perhaps most important, encourage the German people."

The "Manchester Guardian" says One by one the problems which vexed the military leaders of all countries before the war are being put to the test. One of the most problematical was how the balance between defence and attack in the case of convoys would be left by the introduction of air power as new element.

NOTE OF CAUTION

Commenting on Saturday's engagement, the "Guardian" says: "In some ways this episode is the most encouraging of any that has yet taken place."

It also adds a note of caution until there has been wider experience of air attack on convoys in varied circumstances.

The naval correspondents of newspapers generally regard the lesson of the incident as heartening and stress the successful co-operation of fighter aircraft in the convoy system.—British Wireless.

KING'S XMAS BROADCAST

London, To-day.

The King will broadcast to his people on Christmas Day at the conclusion of a Round-the-Empire programme.

It is hoped that despite the difficulties of radio communication in wartime, it will be possible to take all the Dominion and Colonial contributors to the programme direct, without using recordings.

On this special occasion, a message from our ally, France, may be included—British Wireless.

COOLIE'S LOSS

An ambulance coolie employed at the Kwong Wah Hospital has reported the theft of $160 in Chinese currency and $49 in Hong Kong currency from his quarters between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. yesterday.

FURTHER DETAILS OF ATTACK ON CONVOY

London, To-day.

Further facts have become available regarding the German air attack on the British convoy in the North Sea on Saturday, as seen from the escort and the convoyed vessels themselves.

From time to time during morning, enemy seaplanes were sighted shadowing the convoy from low-lying clouds at extreme range.

Their appearance was greeted with spasmodic bursts of fire from the escort vessels.

At 12.30 p.m., out of the mist, appeared three bombing planes, diving on the convoy.

Fire was opened by all escort vessels and the enemy, after passing over the convoy and dropping several bombs, banked steeply and vanished into the mist.

The sky to the south-east now cleared and there was extreme visibility to seaward.

At 1 p.m. the seaplanes were sighted high up in the clouds to the south-east and presently, two flights of three turned to attack the convoy.

HEAVY BARRAGE

The leading escort vessel opened a heavy barrage, from which the attackers turned away. Bombs were seen falling on the horizon.

Again they turned towards the convoy and were visible now to all escort ships, who opened fire in the line of advance and again turned them.

A flight of British fighters now came swooping across the convoy from the land and when last seen from the leading escort vessel were disappearing into the clouds to the eastward in pursuit of the flying seaplanes.

No hits were obtained on the convoy and there were no casualties.

The convoy reached its destination in due course without further molestation.

The British fighters shot down four of the German bombing planes.—British Wireless.

BELGIAN RIVER OVERFLOWS

Ghent, Oct. 16.

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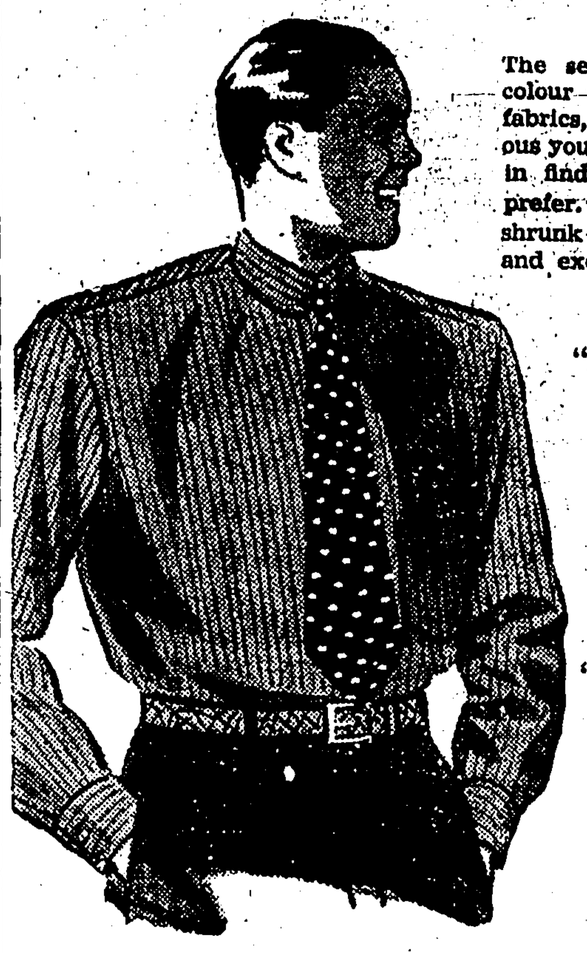

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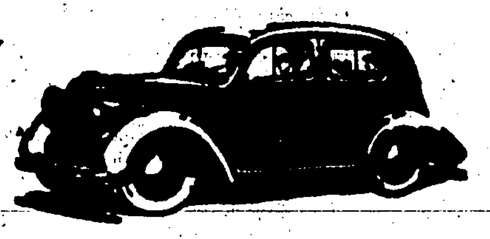

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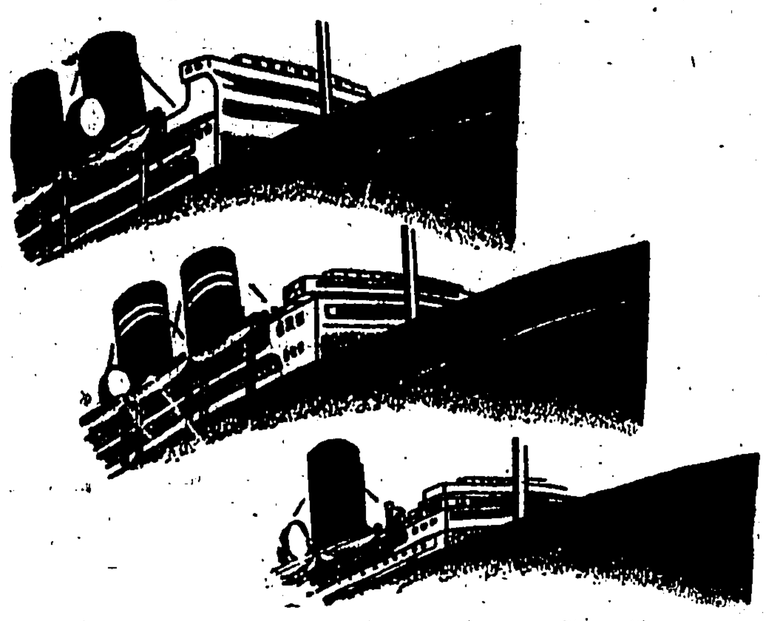

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Sandakan	October 24.
Amoy	October 24.
Bangkok	October 24.
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Calcutta and Straits	October 24.
Shanghai	October 24.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., date, 4th October)	October 24.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 18th October.	October 25.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 19th October	October 25.
Manila	October 25.
Shanghai	October 25.
Straits and Tourane	October 25.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	October 25.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Services"—London date, 18th October	October 26.
Shanghai and Amoy	October 26.
Japan	October 26.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 30th September)	October 26.
Manila	October 26.
Manila	October 26.
Shanghai	October 27.

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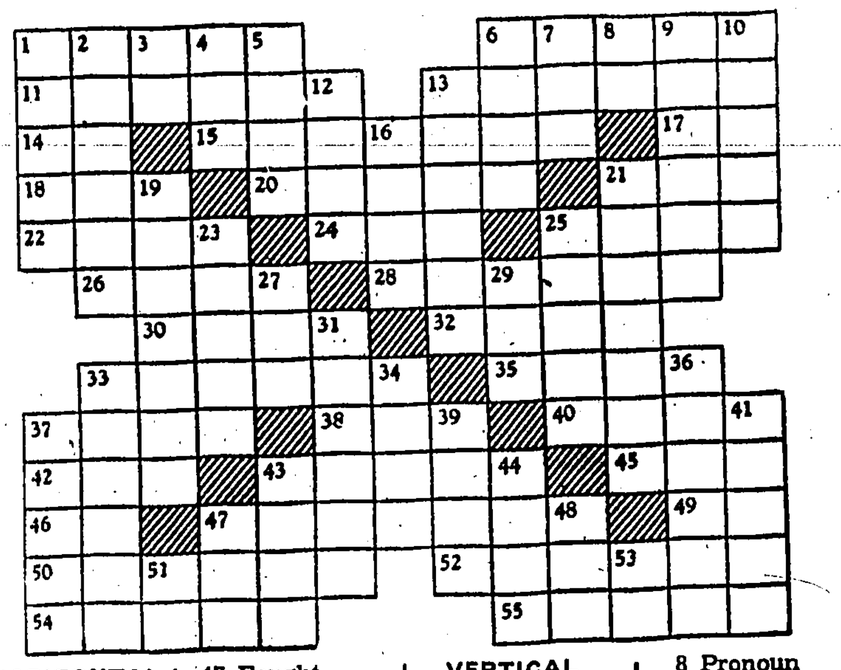

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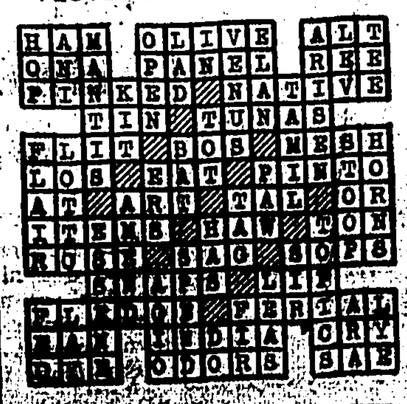

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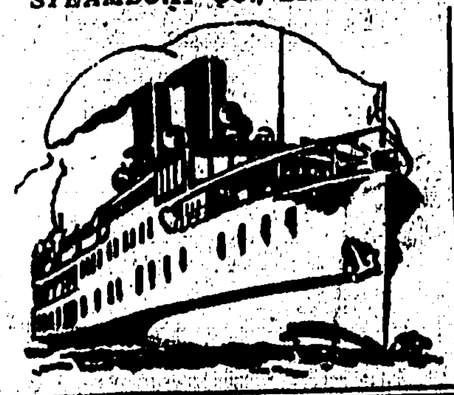

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LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-7/8.

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The London on New York cross rate was quoted at £—U.S.$4.02. The New York on London rate was £—U.S.$4.01-3/8.

LIES BEGINNING TO RUN OUT IN GERMANY

London, To-day.

IT IS INTERESTING TO note that Dr. Goebbels' broadcast in connexion with Mr. Churchill and the Athenia (in which the Nazi Propaganda Minister said that three British destroyers had sunk the liner) provided yet another contradiction in the Nazi endeavours to explain away the torpedoing.

On September 4, the Nazi radio announced that it was possible the Athenia had been sunk by a mine.

On September 6, the Nazi radio said the Athenia had been torpedoed by the British.

On October 15, the Nazi radio revised this judgment and was convinced that a time-bomb had been placed in the liner's hull.

Now Dr. Goebbels' theory is at least the fourth Athenia story put out by the Nazis.

Of course, it is well known that the evidence of the Athenia's captain and many other survivors left no doubt that the ship was sunk by an enemy submarine.

Another comical feature about the futile Nazi allegations is the German radio statement several days ago that the liner was sunk by Mr. Churchill in such deep water that would make examination by divers impossible.

This was followed yesterday by another masterpiece from the Nazi radio stating that the Athenia can, in fact, be examined by divers.

London comment on Dr. Goebbels' broadcast is: "It appears that even lies are running out in Germany!"—— Reuter.

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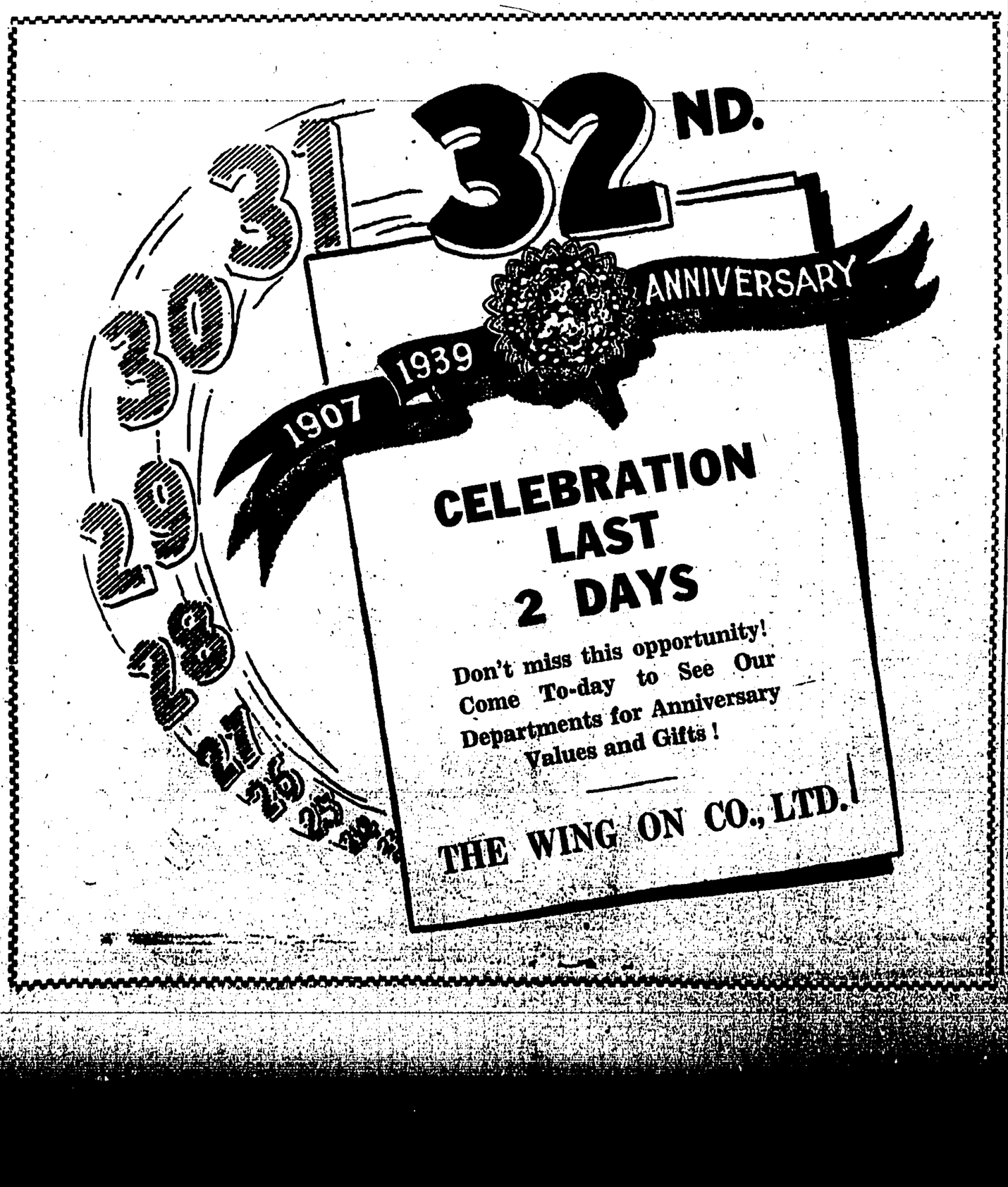
PAKHOI BOMBED

Kwongchowwan, To-day.

Early on Tuesday morning a lone Japanese plane appeared over Pakhoi. Several bombs were dropped in the suburbs.

There were no civilian casualties, a pig was killed and several dwellings were demolished.—Our Own Correspondent.



SABOTAGE IN AUSTRIAN IRON MINE

New York, Oct. 16.

Serious sabotage recently occurred in the Erzberg iron mines of Styria Province, Austria, a private informant disclosed to-day. Two time bombs exploded and wrecked several mining tunnels. As a result of the sabotage, the Gestapo arrested three supervisors and 37 workers. There are in all some 20,000 men employed in the Erzberg mines.—Havas.

TENSION CONTINUES IN SHANGHAI

Chungking, To-day.

The tension in western Shanghai arising from the gun battle between the Shanghai Municipal Police and armed thugs, believed to be employed by Wang Ching-wei, has not relaxed.

The Settlement police are still taking elaborate precautionary measures, while Italian troops are patrolling the area.

Curfew is being enforced by the Italian troops in their defence sector.

It is alleged that eleven of those arrested by the Japanese gendarmes following the shooting have been released.—Central News.

GIRL'S TALE DENIED

An allegation that because she objected to marrying an old man as his concubine, she was beaten with a duster, was made by a 16-year-old girl, Tong Kuen, when Wong Siu-pik, 48, her mother, of Kilung Street, was charged with ill-treating her.

"I think this case could be dealt as a simple assault," said Mr. Macfadyen to Inspector Fraser.

"Yes, If your Worship will amend the charge," replied the Inspector.

The mother denied the girl's allegation, stating that she chastised her to teach her.

Advising her that she could treat the girl in other ways if she really was doing wrong, Mr. Macfadyen bound her over to be of good behaviour for one year.

DUFF-COOPER PROPHECY

London, To-day.

The Zurich report that high German army officers have been dismissed for Monarchist activities, coincides with a prediction made in New York yesterday by Mr. A. Duff-Cooper, former British First Lord of the Admiralty.

In a speech, Mr. Duff-Cooper predicted that the revolution in Germany would originate in the Army, and would produce a new Monarchy rather than a modified form of the present Nazi regime.—Reuter.

BELGIUM'S DENIAL

Paris, To-day.

The Belgian Embassy in Paris has issued a denial of Paris reports that Belgian of military age residing in France have been recalled to their own country.

Far from this being the case, the Embassy says, Belgians in France who are now serving with the Belgian Army have been given leave to return to their families in France.—Reuter.

CONVICT SENTENCED TO DEATH

Man Shui, a convict at Stanley Prison, was this morning found guilty of the murder of Chan Shek-lam, a fellow prisoner, on August 26, and sentenced to death..

The jury were Messrs. A. Abraham (foreman), Lo Ho-yeung, Chan Wan-yuk, F. M. Silva, H. R. de Pinna, Ng Chi-mann and Shun Tze-chung.

Mr. Hosang, Counsel for the defence, pleaded self-defence. He did not dispute the facts, but disputed the reasons and circumstances under which accused struck deceased. He said that before 9 a.m., deceased had struck accused two or three times and had dared him to strike back.

Accused did not retaliate. Later deceased again attacked him, and defendant, in fear, picked up the first available instrument. This unfortunately caused death. It would not be presumed that a sane man, with 200 others present, would commit a murder with no hope of escaping.

If accused had the intention of murder, he would have used hard and vicious blows.

SUMMING UP

The Chief Justice, summing up, said the prosecution story was simple and divided into two phases. The quarrel early that morning and the fatal assault later.

Accused had armed himself with an iron bar with this first quarrel rankling in his mind.

Even if accused, smarting from the earlier assault, after being struck under the ear, had planned to get his own back, there was no excuse in law.

Deceased was found near his own desk and none had seen a running fight between the two.

His Lordship said it was not necessary to comment on whether a sane man would have done what accused did, as no plea of insanity had been raised.

After the case, the Chief Justice exempted the jury from service for the forthcoming jury year.

ATLANTIC RAIDER SINKING NOT YET CERTAIN

London, To-day.

There is no definite confirmation in London regarding reports of the sinking of the Schwabenland in the Atlantic, although the report is not denied.

There is no confirmation also with regard to the reported battle off Jutland.—Reuter.

NAZIS SACK GENERALS

London, To-day.

It is learned from Zurich that a number of high German Army officers have been removed from their posts because they supported restoration of the Monarchy in Germany.

They include General Hammerstein, a former Chief of General Staff.

The Monarchist movement in Germany has greatly increased in the past few months. — Reuter.

RIBBENTROP'S OPTIMISM THE BASIS OF GERMAN DISAPPOINTMENT

London, Oct. 15.

Recent diplomatic activities in Germany, otherwise rather strange in view of present events, were explicable only, by the fact that German Foreign Minister, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, was convinced Britain would not continue to fight after the conclusion of a German-Soviet pact and the defeat of Polish armed forces, observers stated to-day.

Herr von Ribbentrop, one-time German Ambassador in London, believed he knew the British mentality very thoroughly. He thought he could guage British reactions and that he could foretell without fail what action was to be expected from the British Lion under certain circumstances.

Absolutely sure of himself and his mind-reading qualities as far as the British are concerned, the Foreign Minister argued to convince Adolf Hitler and other German leaders of his infallible judgment.

He entirely misjudged British determination to see the war through to attain lasting peace and liberty from the threat of war that has for many months hung menacingly over an anxious Europe.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain's speech, categorically rejecting any Nazi peace "diktat," was a bitter pill to swallow for the self-assured Herr von Ribbentrop.

BERLIN STILL HOPEFUL

Nevertheless Berlin indicate the German leaders still hope to wear out initial Anglo-French determination to fight. Anxiety is gradually increasing in Berlin.

British observers said to-day that they believed the Reich would probably approach the Allies once again, with the peace proposals forwarded through indirect channels this time. Meanwhile, military operations were not to be expected to cease, British political circles concluded.—Havas.

MOTOR OFFENCES IN KOWLOON

AT THE INSTANCE OF MR. F. E. LAWRENCE, OF THE P.W.D., MR. B. SHAW, OF HAU WONG ROAD, WAS THIS MORNING SUMMONED BEFORE MR. Q. A. A. MACFADYEN FOR SPEEDING, AND OVERTAKING ANOTHER CAR ON THE LEFT SIDE IN THE NATHAN ROAD CONTROLLED-AREA ON OCTOBER 1.

Fines totalling $50 were imposed.

Traffic Inspector Scrim said that Mr. Lawrence was driving near the Majestic Theatre when accused passed him on the left side at a fast speed, between 30 and 40 m.p.h.

Mr. Lawrence followed as far as Austin Road, when defendant turned to the right and disappeared. Later, he was again seen by Mr. Lawrence near the Peninsula Hotel, when he took his number and made a report to the police.

A fine of $10 was imposed on Mr. K. Tomes for speeding in the controlled-area on October 4.

Traffic Sub-Inspector Tsui said he travelled at 30 m.p.h. on entering the area and accelerated to 36 m.p.h. on reaching the Majestic Theatre.

For failing to report an accident, a collision with a taxi, at the junction of Nathan Road and Boundary Street, Mr. E. J. Porter, of Waterloo Road, was fined $8.

The taxi was but slightly damaged.

Defendant said he did not realize it was necessary for him to report, as it was not serious.

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6.00 p.m.—Dance Music.
Tangos—Jingle Bells; Twilight....E. Bohr's Argentine Tango Orchestra.
Waltz—Secret Rendezvous (from 'One Rainy Afternoon'); Fox-Trot—The One Rose.....Victor Young & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—Chase The Blues Away; I May Be Wrong....Victor Webb & His Orch.
Fox-Trots—Anything Goes (from the film); I Get A Kick Out Of You (film 'Anything Goes')....Ambrose & His Orch.
Fox-Trot—Sing Something In The Morning (C. B. Cochran's Review 'Home and Beauty'); Waltz—No More (C. B. Cochran's Review 'Home and Beauty').....Roy Fox & His Orchestra.
Waltz—A Garden Of Illusion; Tango—The Tango of the "Mula"....Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.
Comedy One-Step—Fancy Meeting You; Fox-Trot—Yours Truly Is Truly Yours ....Jack Hylton's Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—Pagan Love Song; It Happened Down In Dixieland.....Teddy Foster & His Kings of Swing.
Quickstep—You Couldn't Be Cuter (Film 'Joy of Living'); Waltz—(Film 'The Hurricane')—The Moon of Manakoora ....Henry Jacques & His Strict Dance Tempo Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—Goodnight To You All....Jack Harris & His Orchestra.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay — "On the Dot". A Variety Programme.
7.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.32 p.m. — Reginald Dixon at the Organ.
Dixon Hits No. 2. Intro: Call me Sweetheart; When I grow too old to Dream; Rehearsing a Lullaby; In a little Gypsy Tea Room; Me and the Old Folks at Home; The Oregon Trail!
Dixon Hits No. 24. Intro: How'dja like to love me; Love walked in; Meet me down in Sunset Valley; I won't tell a soul; The sweetest song in the world; The Chocolate Soldiers Daughter.
7.43 p.m.—Variety with Ruth Etting, Billy Mayerl and Turner Layton.
Vocal—There's A Lull In My Life (from 'Wake Up and Live')....Ruth Etting.
Piano—Billy Mayerl's Own Selection.... Billy Mayerl.
Vocal & Piano—I Have Eyes (film 'Paris Honeymoon'); Day After Day (Green & Himber)....Turner Layton.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Haydn—Symphony No. 96 in D Major. Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.
8.30 p.m.—Studio—Piano Recital by Liya Gurevitch.
1. Prelude and Fugue in C Minor (Bach).
2. Sonata in D Major, Op. 10 (Beethoven).
9.00 p.m.—Orchestral.
Egmont Overture, Op. 84 (Beethoven).... The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Adrian Boult.
9.05 p.m.—Studio—Comments on Recent Events.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m.—Moussorgsky — Pictures At An Exhibition. Boston Symphony Orchestra cond. by Serge Koussevitsky.
10.00 p.m.—Violin Solos by Yehudi Menuhin.
Minstrels (Debussy); Flight Of The Bumble-Bee (Rimsky-Korsakov).
Danse Espagnole ('La Vida Breve'—De Falla-Kreisler).
Notturno, Op. 28, No. 1 (Szymanowski).
Tarantella, Op. 28, No. 2 (Szymanowski).
Caprice In G Minor, Op. 1, No. 6 (Paganini-Enesco).
10.20 p.m.—A Light Orchestral Concert with Mavis Bennett (Soprano) and Derek Oldham (Tenor).
Because (Gade); Why? (Gade)....Alfredo Campoli & His Orchestra.
The Doll's Song ('Tales of Hoffmann'—Offenbach); Wine, Women and Song (Strauss).....Mavis Bennett (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Moya, Lovely Moya (O'Brien & Peter); Come To The Ball (film 'The Quaker Girl'—Monckton)..... Orchestre Louise with G. Fitzgerald (Vocal).
Love, I Give You My All ('Luana'—Besly); Waltz Song ('A Waltz Dream'—O. Straus).....Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orchestra.
Grinzing (Benatzky)....Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
A Little Love, A Little Kiss (Sliesu); Nocturne (Curran)....Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orchestra.
Sweet Sue (Young)....Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
11.00 p.m.—Close down.

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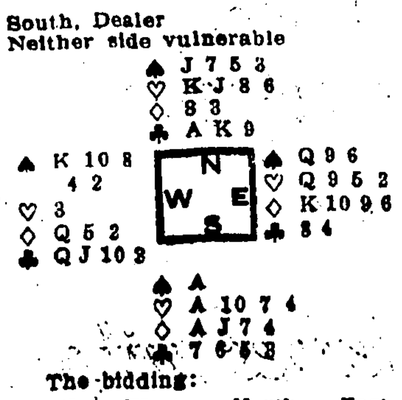

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♡	1♠	3♡	Pass
4♡	Pass	Pass	Pass

Dummy's King won the opening lead of the Queen of clubs. Declarer cashed the Ace, and play the nine-spot, East discarding a low spade, while West won with the ten. West now led the Jack, and, instead of ruffing, Declarer discarded a low diamond, as did East. West shifted to a spade. Declarer won with the Ace, played the Ace of diamonds, ruffed a diamond low in dummy, led a spade, trumping in his own hand, and played a third diamond, ruffing with dummy's Jack this time. He now trumped another spade to get back to his own hand, led a fourth diamond, trumping with dummy's King and now led dummy's remaining spade.

East, who had been forced to underruff with two low trumps, now trumped with the nine. Declarer over-ruffed and made the last trick with the Ace.

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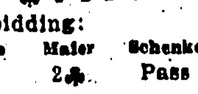
You were Merwin Maier's partner yesterday and held:



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Burnstone	Maier	Schenken	You
1♠	2♣	Pass	(?)

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LA LINDA WINS

The following were the results in the second race of the Ladies' First Series held by the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club yesterday over a distance of 7.6 miles:

	Finished	Pos.	Pts.
La Linda ..... (Mrs. M. I. Johnstone)	16.08.22	1	12
True Blue ..... (Miss H. Crawhall-Wilson)	16.09.25	2	10
Guri ..... (Miss L. A. Heiberg)	16.10.08	3	8
Isobel ..... (Mrs. M. A. Neve)	10.11.00	4	6
Gull ..... (Mrs. K. Trenchard-Davis)	16.11.23	5	5
Jean ..... (Mrs. V. Gowlland)	16.12.53	6	4
Maureen ..... (Mrs. R. B. Phillip)	16.16.08	7	3
Redshank	D.N.F.		1

PETTY OFFICERS' SUCCESS

A match between the Petty Officers and Gunroom of H.M.S. Kent played at the Hong Kong Bowling Alleys yesterday resulted in the Petty Officers winning by 152 points.

Petty Officers			
W. Hambrook	130	159	289
W. Bird	137	91	228
A. Flint	110	112	222
W. Godden	121	100	221
C. Denny	112	96	208
R. H. Holness	88	89	177
Total			1,345
Gunroom			
G. C. Clarabut	130	150	280
P. M. Milligan	67	154	221
A. Carew Hunt	90	99	189
C. C. Dunlop	76	106	182
C. D. Brownrigg	63	100	163
R. M. Yorke	74	84	158
Total			1,193

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SOFTBALL NOTES

CHUNG HWA-RECREIO MATCH DISAPPOINTS BIG FAN TURNOUT

No 3 M. G. Chalk Up Errors Record Against C.B.A.!

SPORTS PARADE

THE huge crowds present at the League game at Caroline Hill on Sunday between Eastern and South China and at the Charity game on Club ground on October 10 showed that there is no ground sufficiently big to accommodate the large crowds that attend a worth while game.

At the Charity game it was necessary to close the grounds before the start and a large number of people were turned away.

On Sunday the ground was filled to overflowing with the result that a large number encroached on the touch and goal lines rendering the task of the officials harder than it should have been.

While one must be in sympathy with the portion of the crowd who are denied a chance to see a good game owing to the smallness of the ground, it is at the same time the duty of the clubs to see that those admitted do not encroach on the field of play.

It is suggested that at such games where spectators pay their money for standing room only the area allowed them be roped off with strict conditions that spectators not be allowed to encroach beyond it.

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WITH three weeks of the local football season already completed it is gratifying to find that very few games have been postponed—in fact far less than anticipated by the Management Committee. The postponed games have already been arranged to be played off and at this rate it seems that the season will be finished well on time.

With the Volunteer camps, a large number of games will have to be postponed but it is expected that with the co-operation of the clubs there will be no difficulty in re-arranging the games.

It is however well to remember that it is necessary that First Division Chinese teams have a game every week. It is easy for the other teams to arrange that games against each other be played off at any time. Most clubs are dependant to some extent on gate receipts received for matches against the Chinese teams and naturally will not want to play a Chinese team on a week-day and thus spoil the gate.

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IT is pleasing to note that the appeal made in these columns last week for cleaner football did not fall on deaf ears and that no "marching orders" cases were reported over the week-end though some hard games were played.

It is to be hoped that this state of affairs will continue for the rest of the season.

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REASON why Reirtsen of Kowloon Football Club is not playing soccer this season is simply because he cannot get away on Saturdays!

If any games are played on Sundays he will be able to turn out and is still keeping fit by practising during the week at the club.

H.K.C.C. 2ND XI FOR SATURDAY

Hong Kong Cricket Club 2nd XI will play against R.A.F. on Saturday at 2 p.m. on the H.K.C.C. ground. The following will represent the H.K.C.C. 2nd XI:—E. J. B. Mitchell (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, C. W. E. Bishop, A. T. Dow, F. P. Fox, R. M. M. King, A. K. Mackenzie, D. O. Parsons, R. S. W. Paterson, J. F. Potter, and D. S. Robb.

KEPLINGER FREEZES ON TO A HOT ONE!

("By "GRANDSTAND")

KING'S PARK WAS again swarming with Softball fans on Sunday to witness a full programme of five League games and four friendlies.

The Recreio "A"—Chung Hwa clash which was supposed to furnish the main attraction in the Men's League was quite a disappointment. Chung Hwa bowed to the rumbling Recs 8-3 in a one-sided fray.

The Chinese were a disorganised lot, erring 11 times afield and connecting for only three blows, the longest of which was a two-bagger by Earl Wong.

Playing tight baseball behind Johnny Alvares' classy pitching and connecting for nine safeties off Earl Wong's pitching, Recreio "A" looked like a real ball team on its way to the championship.

The Chinese, who batted first, started off with two tallies in the first frame. Choy and Earl Wong crossed the plate on a walk, a hit and a bobble by A. V. Gosano at second base.

In their turn to bat, Recreio "A" replied with four counts to take the lead which they maintained to the end. Recreio added one run each in the next four innings but were blanked in the sixth which turned out to be their last at bat.

Chung Hwa were blanked for five innings. In the last canto they made a hard attempt to stage a rally but their efforts were only good for one run.

Richard Chung dented the plate after Johnny Alvares booted two bunts.

A. V. Gosano took batting honours with a double and a single.

Tuffy Chinn, who just came back from the States took up his old position at the keystone bag but was off form both on the field and with the bat.

FILIPINO CLUB TRAMPLED ON

In the second game of the day the International Athletic Club trampled all over the Filipino Club boys for a 19-4 win. Enoc Loyola and Johnny Patawaran took turns on the slab for the Southerners but their flinging was to the liking of the I.A.C. clouters who registered 14 clean hits!

Albert Leonard went the full route on the hillock for International Club and although he was erratic, to issue eight walks, proper support on the field and with the bat from his fielders won the game. A double by S. Rasack was the longest hit of the fray.

Featured by "Red" Keplinger's most spectacular one handed catch at left field, the Canadian Chinese — Mindanao encounter furnished the most interesting and tight-scoring game of the day.

The "Canucks" just managed to nose out the bluejackets from U.S.S. Mindanao 3-2. Both teams played a tight game: Canadian Chinese miscued only once to Mindanao's three.

Mindanao out hit the "Maple Leafs" 7-6 but the "Canucks" helped by errors were able to make their safties count for more runs, Nacandian Chinese were first to score. C. G. Lee scored in the first inning after he was walked and Denham Crary drove in on a sacrifice grounder to shortstop.

Mindanao replied with one tally in the same frame. "RED" Keplinger worked Herbie Quon for a free pass to first and "Paintpot" Thomas brought him in with a sizzling single.

Canadian Chinese scored two more in the fourth, Bill Woo reaching first on a bobble by shortstop Todd, and stealing second a minute later, while L. Bunn singled. Delgado sacrificed to score Woo and Bunn came in on Herbie Quon's single.

George White grounded to third baseman Glen McCormick to retire the inning and ended the CCC scoring for the day.

Mindanao's second run crossed the plate in the sixth inning when "Horseface" Douglas doubled and walked home on two wild pitches.

Herbie Quon on the mound for CCC was not as dangerous as he was last year when pitching for the Midgets.

With Denham Crary and Bill Ing on bases and two away Bill Woo belted what looked like a homer, but **left fielder "Red" Keplinger, to his own surprise and to the amazement of the fans, reached for the ball, which would have cleared the fence, closed his eyes and the pillet stuck to his bare right hand!** Bill Woo was robbed of a neat homer, but really it was the most spectacular catch ever made in local softball!

BONEHEAD PLAYS

English Forum proved too good for the Trojans who were humbled 10-3 in a fray full of bonehead plays.

The Trojans started off very badly. They allowed the opposition to score seven runs on only three hits, three errors and a passed ball in the initial inning.

After the first frame Trojans settled down to play ball, allowing only three more runs in five innings and only two errors. G. Almaida, a newcomer to the Trojans, pitched his first League game and did quite well. He did not, however, receive good support from his teammates.

Trojans scored one run in the first inning and two in the seventh.

Shortstop D. Aquino of the Trojans played a brilliant game at the windy alley, pulling off four putouts and three assists without a miscue.

Outstanding for English Forum were Tommy Young at second base and Kitchell at shortstop. Bill Quon pitched good ball for Forum allowing six hits without a walk. Longest hit of the game was made by Dick Alves with a two bagger in the fourth inning.

Establishing a new record of 17 errors chalked up against them in a seven inning game, No. 3 M.G. went down, 18-6, like a ton of bricks against a weak CBA teem.

With most of their regular players playing all-day cricket the Emma Gees had no alternative but to field a bunch of bushers who had never played the game before.

Yielding only nine hits Charlie Manson tried his darnedest on the hillock for 3 M.G. and it must have broken his heart to receive such poor support from his colleagues.

Roy Maxwell at shortstop, and H.J. Hicks at first base were the only gunners who looked like ball players.

The outfield department, composed of George Roylance, Itenson and Smirke was the weakest spot for the M. G.'s.

Sammy Izatt tried his best, behind the bat but his catching and pegging was not good enough. With the exception of a good catch Porter played bonehead ball at second and later at first.

PROMISING DEBUT

"Rusty" Fedoseyeff on the mound for CBA had an easy time with the M.G. Batters. He was only touched for seven hits, while Teddy Lockhart, making his first appearance behind the plate for CBA, made quite a good showing although his pegging was rather weak. He hit a three bagger which was the longest clout of the game.

Playing better ball and displaying greater knowledge of the game, the mighty Tees from U.S.S. Tulsa downed Club de Recreio "A" 10-8, in a nine-inning game. Bailey, who, I understand, was a crack hardball pitcher when he was at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, was on the mound for Tulsa.

Although he was nicked for 15 blows he kept them well scattered. Johnny Alvares and Charlie Fegueredo formed the battery for Recreio.

The score book gives Tulsa 11 hits for their 10 runs. In the sixth inning when it looked gloomy for Recreio "A" Recreio "B" came to the rescue to hold down the American bluejackets to two runs on two hits. Jack Noronha was on the pitching slab for Recreio "B".

SCORES AT A GLANCE

MEN'S LEAGUE

Recreio "A" 8, Chung Hwa 3.
International Club 19, Filipino Club 4.
Canadian Chinese 3, Mindanao 2.
English Forum 10, Trojans 3.
C.B.A. 18, No. 3 M.G. 6.

FRIENDLIES

U.S.S. Tulsa 10, Recreio 8.
Recreio "B" 16, V.R.C. 7.
H.K. Ball Club Girls 11, Wahoos 7.
Recreio Girls 12, Panthers 4.

INTERNATIONAL BOWLS

SEMI-FINALS ON SUNDAY

The Semi-Finals of the Gutierrez Shield International lawn bowls competition will take place on Sunday, at Kowloon Bowling Green Club at 3 p.m.

The draw which took place yesterday is as follows:

England	v	Switzerland
S. Randle		W. Naef
F. Goodwin		L. Gaddi
A. J. Hall		J. S. Landolt
B. W. Bradbury		C. S. Rosselet
Scotland		**India**
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J. C. S. Fender		A. K. Minu
A. M. Holland		U. M. Omar

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

(By "SQUADDY")

I SEE that my colleague who contributes the "Sports Parade" does not entirely agree with my remarks regarding the entry of certain clubs into Second Division of Hong Kong F. A. League.

He seems to have taken my remarks as a direct attack on the Club and University sides, and the H.K.F.A.

I did not intend this for a moment, but wanted simply to point out that the inclusion of such obviously inferior sides in this division was hardly justified. In the past season both clubs gave very poor displays and on several occasions were unable to field full sides. Club in particular, for two games to my knowledge, turned out players who were due to take part in the succeeding First Division match to fill up gaps in their second eleven through sufficient players not putting in an appearance. Again I do not doubt that both Club and University will fulfil their fixtures despite frequent "trouncing."

A player playing in a poor side gets no chance or encouragement to improve his standard of football when he is constantly playing a defensive game against vastly superior sides and it seems to me that many men, who would stand quite a good chance of becoming fit for a higher grade of football if brought along in the right way, are spoilt for this reason. Likewise a side that has weak opposition does not enjoy a game so well and also gets no chance to play better football.

I admit that University quite likely have difficulties, peculiar to them, in getting a side together, but these difficulties existed last season, and they should have learned a lesson from their record in Third Division under these conditions last season, instead of entering for the Second.

There are seven sides representing the Army in the two Second Divisions, four in A section and 3 in B. Of these 8th Hvy. Regt. R.A., 30th Bty. R.A. and Signals are newcomers to the Division. Signals entered on their own accord and I was under the impression that 8th Hvy. Regt. had also done so, and that 30th Bty. were promoted to fill a vacancy. 24th Bty. R.A. did exceedingly well last year and R.A.M.C. also did enough, I consider, to warrant consideration for any promotion that was going. Of course it may be that these clubs were approached and intimated that they were not desirous of promotion.

I should be the last to suggest that the H.K.F.A. do not do their job in local football. They have a very difficult task to perform and they carry out their duties well despite many setbacks during each season.

I hope by the above remarks that I have clarified those I made last week and it will be realised that I was not attempting a direct attack on anybody but merely making a suggestion that in my opinion would improve the standard of football in the particular Division.

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THE debut of the Headquarters, China Command, Cricket side on Sunday was not exactly an auspicuous one. R.A.F. defeating them easily by eight wickets. Chief reason for this was the impossibility of disposing of the R.A.F. crack, Pilot Officer New, who carried his bat and never had any difficulty against the weak Headquarters' attack. Bowling was very weak for the Command team, and their batsmen were only able to compile 87 runs in two hours batting which is very poor for a small ground such as Sookunpoo. Lack of a good opening bowler was sadly felt by the side and neither Eddy nor Major Petri were able to make any impression on the batsmen. The former was badly out of practice and Major Petri was not at his best, probably for the same reason.

A pleasing feature of the game was the useful innings played by Colonel Rogers who has not played much cricket for the last couple of years. He scored a fine 22 before being caught in the slips. The only other batsman to get going was Captain Burn who took a long time to score 12.

Next match is against C.B.S. on November 1 and several changes are being made in the team. The final side is not picked yet but it is hoped to increase the bowling strength considerably.

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SMALL UNITS should do well in the Hockey competitions this season with the guiding reins in the hands of Lieut. Belton who is an excellent player himself.

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I HAVE been informed that the finalists in the Garrison Billiards Challenge Cup are R.A.M.C. and H.Q. Coy., Royal Scots and not R.A.M.C. and Royal Signals.

ARMY TENNIS

R.A.M.C. MEET R.A.O.C. IN LEAGUE FINAL TO-DAY

(By "COMMANDER")

The Army Tennis Season of 1939 will officially close this afternoon, with the final of the Hong-Kong Area League between Royal Army Medical Corps and Royal Army Ordnance Corps.

These two teams are very evenly matched, having finished the League programme with the same number of points, and the fixture should produce a very interesting struggle.

Ordnance won the first encounter by five matches to four, but the Medicals are fully convinced that they can reverse this decision!

The Army Doubles and Singles Championships have just been concluded, and the results ran true to form in most matches.

NEAR UPSET

In the Doubles there were no unexpected results, although, in the Semi-Finals, Buckle and Boocock, R.A.O.C., nearly caused an 'upset' by running Stevens and Webb, R.A.M.C., to a very close finish.

In the finals, Duffield and Emberson R.A.O.C. managed to defeat Stevens and Webb, after a very hard fight.

In the Singles the first surprise came when Adlam R.A.P.C. defeated Duffield, last year's finalist, in the quarter-finals, and another shock was Webb's defeat of Emberson in the semi-finals—this being the match of the Tournament.

In the finals, Webb had a rather easy victory over Martin, of R.A.S.C., who appeared to find the occasion a bit too much for him.

At the conclusion of the final of the Area League match, the trophies for all the Competitions will be presented.

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Royal Army Medical Corps v H.Q. Company Royal Scots.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1
Soldiers' Club Tournament (Final)
Royal Army Medical Corps v H.K. Volunteer Corps.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2
Snooker Championship (Final)
Condr. Ebbage (Ordnance) v Cpl. Harvey (Medicals).

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3
Billiards Championship (Final)
Sgt. Wyre (R.A.M.C.) or Pte. Gordon (Royal Scots) v Cpl Hilyard (R.A.M.C.) or L/Cpl. Duncan (Royal Scots).

CLUB "A" RUGBY XV

There will be a game of Rugby Football on the Club ground at Happy Valley to-morrow, when the Club "A" XV will play Police. The game will commence at 5.15 p.m. The Club side has been selected as follows:—
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2nd Quarter ..	87.5	113.2	134.5	149.5
3rd Quarter ..	81.5	113.8	126.7	132.9
4th Quarter ..	105.9	134.6	115.3	
	350.9	467.3	511.9	

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United Kingdom import trade has increased from $17,618,000 in 1935 to to $33,914,000 in 1939, in terms of Hong Kong currency; trade with North China has increased from $46,762,000 in 1935, $46,856,000 in 1935, $64,006,000 in '37, and $76.274,-000 in '38 to $115,078,000 in 1939.

Trade with South China, at $36,391,000 it is interesting to note, was almost at the level of 1935, and only 25 per cent. below 1936 the last normal trade year. At the same time, the Colony's import trade with Macao has jumped from $4.429,000 in 1935 and $4,634,000 in 1936 to $23,081,000 in 1939, and trade with Kwangchow-wan has leaped from $2,688.000 in 1935 and $4,229,000 in 1936 to $17,316,000 in 1939.

It is noteworthy, too, that Hong Kong's import trade with Germany fell from $19,112.000 in 1936, $23.863,-000 in 1937 and $32,014.000 in 1938 to $12,032,000 in 1939, although only the last month (September) was affected by war developments in Europe.

EXPORT SIDE

On the export side, North China figures increased from $14,578.000 in 1935 and $17,753.000 in 1936 to $35,805 in 1939, Middle China from $13,792.000 in '35 and $15.627,000 in '36 to $21,561,000 in 1939, while South China fell from $75,496,000 in '35 and $71,003.000 in '37 to $18,328,000 in 1939. The South China figures were largely offset by the following increases at other points of entry: Indo-China up from $11,459,000 in 1935 and $12.422,000 in 1936 to $45,424,000 in 1939, Kwang Chow Wan up from $6.958 in '35 and $7,308,000 in '36 to $31,428.000 in 1939,- and Macao up from $10,152.000 in '35 and $9,363,000 in 1936 to $32,435,000 in 1939.

In other words, exports to South China decreased by $52,672,000 as compared with 1936, the last normal year, and to other points of entry into South China increased by $80,194,000 as compared with 1936.

DISTRIBUTION OF TRADE

Figures concerning the distribution of trade show that the British Empire share of imports is 14.7 per cent. as compared with 13.9 in '35, 12.8 in '36, and 17.5 in '38. China's share is 37.1 per cent. as compared with 32.6 per cent. in '35, 32.9 in '36, 32.7 in '37 and 36.4 in '38. The British Empire's share of exports is 17.8 per cent. in '39 compared with 12.9 per cent. in '35, 17.2 in '36, 19.8 in '37 and 15.6 in '38. China's share is only 18.8 per cent. as compared with 52.1 per cent. in '35, 42.6 in '36 and 40.3 in '37. Compensating are Macao's increase from 5.1 per cent. in '35 to 8 per cent., Indo-China's increase from 5.7 per cent. to 11.3 per cent., and Kwang Chow Wan's increase from 3.5 per cent. to 7.8 per cent. Japan's figures have dropped from four per cent. to one per cent.

SEPTEMBER FIGURES

In September imports increased by two per cent. as compared with last year and exports decreased by 17.2 per cent. as compared with last year. Exports to United Kingdom were off $1,000.000, to North China were off $4,000.000, to South China were off $18,000,000 (September last year being the last month before the Japanese capture of Canton). Indo-China took an additional $1,000.000. Kwang Chow Wan an addition $5.000.000 and Macao an additional $3,000.000. Exports to U.S.A. were up $6,000,000.

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TOKYO, TO-DAY:

THE JAPANESE TREASURY DEPARTMENT HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE BASIS OF YEN EXCHANGE WILL BE DIVERTED FROM STERLING TO THE UNITED STATES DOLLAR, EFFECTIVE AS FROM OCTOBER 25 (TO-MORROW).

ON THE NEW BASIS, THE YEN WILL BE QUOTED AT 23 7/16THS. PENCE INSTEAD OF 14D. — REUTER.

Reports from the New Territories state that Japanese soldiers landed at Namtau this morning, are engaged in constructing defences on the highway between Namtau and Shumchun.

Villagers crossing the border from Chinese territory this morning state that firing has been heard in Namtau every day for a week.

Hong Kong's return of notifiable diseases for the week ended midnight, on Saturday, shows eleven new cholera cases, five diphtheria, 13 typhoid and 58 dysentery. There were two deaths from cholera, two of diphtheria, five from typhoid and 19 from dysentery.

The s.s. Fatshan was beached at Lin Tin Island this morning following the striking of a submerged object which displaced several plates and caused the ship to make water.

The Fatshan left this morning for Canton and owing to the normal water passages being blocked by the naval authorities, the vessel had to leave via the West Lamma Channel.

As the ship was turning to her normal course after leaving the Channel, it struck the submerged object.

The s.s. Kinshan was sent out from Hong Kong and was expected to arrive in the vicinity at 4 p.m. to take off the passengers and bring them back to the Colony.

The Legislative Council meeting on Thursday will be concerned with the Promissory Oaths Ordinance, the Volunteer (Amendment) Ordinance, and the Ordinance empowering Government to maintain reserve stocks of vital commodities.

There will be no discussion at this meeting, of the Government's Budget proposals, and it is stated authoritatively that a further statement on the Income Tax recommendations is very unlikely. The proposal is being studied by a special committee.

Shanghai, To-day.

Further complaint of action inimical to American missions in China reaches Peiping from Sinsiang in North Honan, where, it is reported, the Japanese authorities have confiscated ground belonging to the American Catholic Mission Society of the Divine Word and have begun to erect their own buildings on it.

It is stated that the Japanese have said that they would pay some solatium for the land, but at some future, undetermined date.

This, plus the incident at Chenliu, and reports that other slight difficulties are being met with by American missions in various parts of North China is leading many to suppose that the movement which began as a political anti-British movement is gradually but surely developing into a Japanese anti-Christian mission throughout North China. —Reuter.

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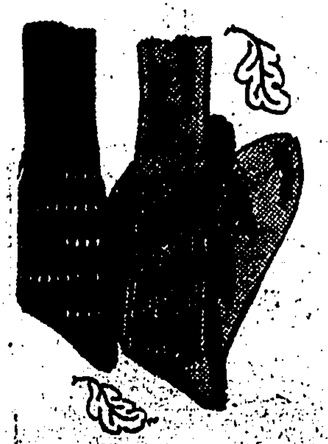

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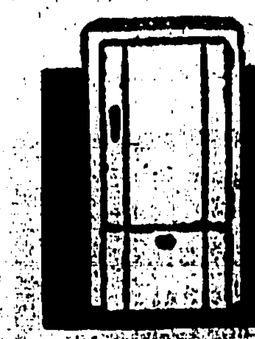

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